

CLAIMS

1. An information processor having contents stored therein, comprising:
means for recording history data indicative of usage history of the contents and filtering data intended for computation of a weight corresponding to each the contents;
means for computing a weight of each of the contents from the history data based on the filtering data;
selecting a content based on the weight computed by the computing means; and
means for displaying a list of the contents selected by the selecting means.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the selecting means selects a predetermined number of the contents based on the weights computed by the computing means.

3. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising means for relating the content selected by the selecting means with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

4. The apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the content relating means registers a content ID corresponding to the selected content into the content combination corresponding to the filtering data.

5. The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the displaying means displays a list of data about the contents referring to the registered content ID.

6. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the computing means

6. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the computing means computes a weight about a number of checkouts for the content.

7. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the computing means computes a weight about a period for which the content has been checked out.

8. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising means for receiving the filtering data.

9. The apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising means for transmitting the filtering data.

10. An information processor having contents stored therein, comprising:
means for recording data about the contents and filtering data intended for computation of a weight corresponding to each the contents;
means for computing a weight of each of the contents from the history data based on the filtering data;
means for selecting a content based on the weight computed by the computing means; and
means for displaying a list of the contents selected by the selecting means.

11. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the selecting means selects a predetermined number of the contents based on the weights computed by the computing means.

12. The apparatus according to claim 10, further comprising means for relating the content selected by the selecting means with a combination of contents

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corresponding to the filtering data.

13. The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the content relating means registers a content ID corresponding to the selected content into the content combination corresponding to the filtering data.

14. The apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the displaying means displays a list of data about the contents referring to the registered content ID.

15. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the computing means computes a weight of each of the contents based on the genre of the content.

16. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the computing means computes a weight about a playing time of the content.

17. The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein the computing means computes a weight based on a character included in the name of the content.

18. The apparatus according to claim 10, further comprising means for receiving the filtering data.

19. The apparatus according to claim 13, further comprising means for transmitting the filtering data.

20. An information processor having contents recorded therein, comprising:
means for recording history data indicative of usage history of the contents, data about the contents and filtering data intended for computation of a weight corresponding to each the contents;
means for computing a weight of each of the contents based on either the history

data or contents-related data and the filtering data, recorded in the recording means; means for selecting a content based on the weight computed by the computing means; and means for displaying a list of the contents selected by the selecting means.

21. The apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the selecting means selects a predetermined number of the contents based on the weights computed by the computing means.

22. The apparatus according to claim 20, further comprising means for relating the content selected by the selecting means with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

23. The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the content relating means registers a content ID corresponding to the selected content into the content combination corresponding to the filtering data.

24. The apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the displaying means displays a list of data about the contents referring to the registered content ID.

25. An information processing method carried out by an information processor having recorded therein contents, history data indicative of usage history of the contents and filtering data intended for computing a weight of each of the contents, the method comprising steps of:

computing a weight of each of the contents from the history data based on the filtering data; and

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selecting a content based on the weight computed at the computing step.

26. The method according to claim 25, further comprising a step of displaying a list of the contents selected at the selecting step.

27. The method according to claim 25, further comprising a step of selecting a predetermined number of the contents based on the weight calculated at the computing step.

28. The method according to claim 25, further comprising a step of relating the content selected at the selecting step with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

29. An information processing method carried out by an information processor having recorded therein contents, history data indicative of usage history of the contents and filtering data intended for computing a weight corresponding to each of the contents, the method comprising steps of:

computing a weight of each of the contents from at least either the history data or data about the contents based on the filtering data; and

selecting a content based on the weight computed at the computing step.

30. The method according to claim 29, further comprising a step of displaying a list of the contents selected at the selecting step.

31. The method according to claim 29, further comprising a step of selecting a predetermined number of the contents based on the weight calculated at the computing step.

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32. The method according to claim 29, further comprising a step of relating the content selected at the selecting step with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

33. A program storage medium having recorded therein an information processing program for use in an information processor having recorded therein contents and filtering data intended for computing a weight corresponding to each of the contents, the program comprising steps of:

computing a weight of each of the contents from the history data based on the filtering data; and

selecting a content based on the weight computed at the computing step.

34. The medium according to claim 33, wherein the program further comprises a step of displaying a list of the contents selected at the selecting step.

35. The medium according to claim 33, wherein the program further comprises a step of selecting a predetermined number of the contents based on the weight calculated at the computing step.

36. The medium according to claim 33, wherein the program further comprises a step of relating the content selected at the selecting step with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

37. A program storage medium having recorded therein an information processing program for use in an information processor having recorded therein contents, history data indicative of usage history of the contents, data about the

contents, and filtering data intended for computing a weight corresponding to each of the contents, the program comprising steps of:

computing a weight of each of the contents from at least either the history data or contents-related data based on the filtering data; and
selecting a content based on the weight computed at the computing step.

38. The medium according to claim 37, wherein the program further comprises a step of displaying a list of the contents selected at the selecting step.

39. The medium according to claim 37, wherein the program further comprises a step of selecting a predetermined number of the contents based on the weight calculated at the computing step.

40. The medium according to claim 37, wherein the program further comprises a step of relating the content selected at the selecting step with a combination of contents corresponding to the filtering data.

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